ABSOLUTE RATING: Average

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 84.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating
Average

Improvement Rating

2001 2002

2003 2004 Below Average

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Advanced







DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=306)	74.5	62.4	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=29)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=277)	76.9	66.4		
Gender				
Male (n=139)	67.6	61.2		
Female (n=167)	80.2	63.5		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=89)	61.8	49.4		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=213)	79.8	68.1		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=154)	64.3	53.9		
Pay for lunch (n=152)	84.9	71.1		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$4,983	N/A	\$5,134	\$5,347
 Prime instructional time 	89.5%	Up from 88.8%	89.8%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.7 to 1	N/A	18.7 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=662)				
Attendance Rate	95.8%	Down from 96.49		96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	1.3%	N/A	4.2%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	0%	N/A	3.1%	3.1%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	99.1%	Up from 96.8%	96%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	3.5%	Down from 3.6%	3.4%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=44)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	7.2 Days	Up from 6.3	7.4 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	94.6%	Up from 93.1%	95.1%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	50%	Down from 51.29	% 46.2%	47.7%
 Continuing contract teachers 	81.8%	Up from 75.6%	84.4%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	78.6%	Down from 83%	88.1%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$38,789	Up 3.4%	\$37,530	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
C	ur School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	65.6%	N/A	65.6%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	15	N/A	4	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	93.7%	N/A	96.5%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	39.5%	Up from 34.7%	41.8%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	1.4%	Up from 1.3%	1.1%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	0	N/A	1	1
 Gifted and talented 	7%	Down from 8.9%	12.4%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	11.5%	Up from 7.9%	9.5%	8.4%

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

It was a good year at Jefferson Elementary School. Our students showed improvement academically and participated in various artistic/cultural activities.

Our staff worked very hard this year. We completed the five-year school renewal plan and also renewed our accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Staff members also were able to participate in many staff development opportunities.

Our school offered several programs encouraging parent involvement such as Family Science Nights, Family Reading Night, and Parent PACT Night.

Students were engaged in various academic opportunities such as writing activities, a Brain Boosters thinking skills program, and a school-wide Math/Science Fair.

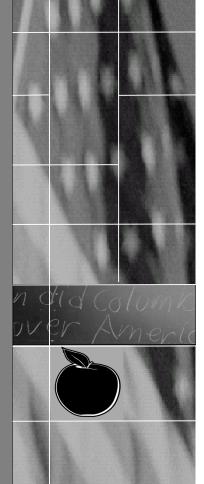
Students participated in several service activities, for example, Pennies for PATH and March of Dimes Walk. Students were also involved in many other experiences such as choral programs, artist-in-residence, Culturefest, Native American program, dental program, Smoke House/fire safety, and Safety First.

Our school is fortunate to be able to partner with classes and students from York Jr. High, YCHS, and FDJTC which allows students of various ages to benefit from working together.

We appreciate our great PTO for providing funds for many needed projects. They also sponsored activities for students such as Book Fairs and Spring Fling.

Jefferson Elementary School offers many opportunities for students, as we are "Linking Learning to Life."

William E. Lowry



Jefferson Elementary 1543 Chester Highway York, SC 29745

Grades PK-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 662 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual Schoo	l
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Average

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	97.8	94.6	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	97.7	89.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	86.7	89.0	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

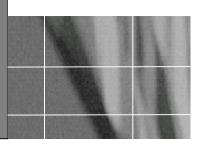
Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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